

## ASSERTS TREATY WAS VIOLATED

Main Point in Japanese Note of Rejoinder.

## SAY QUESTION IS POLITICAL

Mikado's Government Declares Action of California Is Discrimination Against Friendly Power.

Tokio, June 7.—The rejoinder of Japan to the United States' note on the subject of the alien land ownership legislation reiterates that the bill passed by the California legislature violated the spirit of the Japanese-American treaty by discriminating against a friendly power.

It points out that even if the question is an economic one, it enters the domain of international relations and therefore becomes a political question.

The note says that the California land legislation violates article I of the Japan-American treaty of 1911, which authorizes subjects or citizens of the contracting parties to own or lease houses, which are inseparable parts of real estate.

### Contrary to Constitution.

It also declares that the new bill violates the fourteenth amendment to the United States Constitution, requiring the state to grant equal protection under its laws to all persons within its jurisdiction.

Interest in the Japanese-American land ownership controversy is unabated in Japan and continues to be the paramount topic of conversation among all classes. Several mass meetings of protest are being arranged.

Tatsuo Yamamoto, minister of agriculture and commerce, declared that the Japanese government is desirous of participating in the Panama-Pacific exposition, but owing to popular feeling it is obliged to determine public sentiment before proceeding further with its plans.

## FORMS NEW CABINET RULE

President Wilson Authorizes Substitutes for Absentees.

Washington, June 8.—President Wilson apparently has established a rule that in the absence from the city of the heads of the departments assistant secretaries shall sit in their places at the cabinet table.

John Skelton Williams, assistant secretary of the treasury, attended the last cabinet meeting, and on all occasions upon which Secretary Bryan has been away thus far John Bassett Moore, counselor of the state department, has joined the president's advisors.

It is said the reason for the rule is that each cabinet officer may have a representative at the session who will report to him any subjects concerning his department which may come up for discussion during his absence.

## INCOME TAX BILL DEFECTIVE

Amendment Will Probably Be Drafted at Once.

Washington, June 5.—Before the senate acts on the Underwood tariff bill the income tax section will be amended to remedy a defect which, it was discovered, would make the measure unconstitutional.

When the framers of the income tax provision fixed Jan. 1, 1913, as the date from which to compute incomes for taxation they overlooked the fact that the constitutional amendment authorizing an income tax was not proclaimed as ratified until Feb. 25, 1913.

This fact was brought to the attention of the senate finance subcommittee, which has the income tax under consideration, and an amendment probably will be drafted at once.

## JACK JOHNSON SENTENCED

Negro Pugilist Given One Year and a Day in Joliet.

Chicago, June 5.—Jack Johnson, negro heavyweight pugilist, was sentenced to one year and one day in the state penitentiary at Joliet and fined \$1,000 for violation of the Mann "white slave" act.

Sentence was pronounced on Johnson after Federal Judge Carpenter had denied a motion for a new trial made by counsel for the negro.

Johnson asked two weeks in which to prepare a writ of error and the bond for \$30,000 on which he has been at liberty since his conviction was allowed to stand.

## SUFFRAGISTS FINED \$1,840

Must Pay Damages for Smashing Windows.

London, June 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Peckham Lawrence, Mrs. Emmaline Pankhurst, Miss Christabel Pankhurst and Mrs. Mabel Tuke, representing the Woman's Social and Political union, were condemned by the king's bench court to pay \$1,840 damages in a suit brought by a number of West End London shopkeepers for damage done in smashing windows.

ROBERT E. PEARY.

Discoverer of North Pole Enthusiastically Greeted at Paris.



## PEARY WARMLY WELCOMED

Predicted Snub at Paris Proves Unreliable.

Paris, June 7.—Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary arrived in Paris and was enthusiastically greeted. He was welcomed by officials, which did not bear out the assertion that the Royal Geographical society had decided to snub him. Peary was presented with a garland of gorgeous flowers.

United States Ambassador Myron T. Herrick was not present, Naval Attache Hough representing the embassy. Prince Roland Bonaparte entertained the party at lunch.

## PITTSBURG BOARD DISMISSES HEETER

Declares Educator Guilty of Immoral Conduct.

Pittsburg, June 7.—Superintendent S. L. Heeter of the Pittsburg public schools was declared by the board of public education guilty of immorality and taking unwarranted liberties with women. By a vote of 12 to 1, two members being absent, Mr. Heeter was dismissed from the service of the board of education.

After consultation with his attorney, Clarence Burleigh, Mr. Heeter declined to issue any statement or to discuss the case.

Recently he declared that if discharged he would sue the board for the collection of the \$25,000 of his salary under his contract for a term of years. He declined to affirm or deny that he contemplated such action.

## GUILTY OF GRAND LARCENY

Former Frisco Detective Assisted in "Bunco" Games.

San Francisco, June 8.—Frank Esola, former police detective, was found guilty of grand larceny in complicity with the operations of the notorious "forty thieves" bunco gang which operated for many months.

Esola was indicted on the specific charge of having conspired with Michael Gallo, now a convict, in robbing a farmer of \$900. With seven other policemen, the rest of whom are awaiting trial on conspiracy charges, he was accused by four confessed bunco men with complicity in swindling operations said to have yielded the bunco ring more than \$300,000 since 1905, from which time confidence men declared they had worked under police protection.

## SEVERE STORM IN DENVER

Three Killed, Score Injured and Much Damage Done.

Denver, June 8.—Three killed, a score injured and thousands of dollars property loss was the toll exacted during the electrical storm over Denver and vicinity, according to reports from all sections. Theodore Arnett, aged twenty, a farmhand employed at Montclair, was killed by lightning while driving a team of horses.

## GARMENT WORKERS TO STRIKE

Eight Thousand in Philadelphia Vote to Walk Out.

Philadelphia, June 7.—Representatives of 8,000 men and women employed in the manufacture of women's garments in this city voted to strike and declare they will leave their shops as soon as the order is given by a special committee appointed by the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union of America.

## Gompers Passes Good Night.

Washington, June 8.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, operated upon for the second time for a mastoid abscess, was "doing as well as could be expected," his surgeons said. Mr. Gompers passed a good night.

## TOWNSEND SAYS WILSON LOBBIES

Michigan Senator Directly Accuses Chief Executive.

## CHARGE CREATES SURPRISE

Witness Before Committee Defines a Lobbyist in Such a Manner as to Include Chief Executive.

Washington, June 7.—Senator Townsend of Michigan exploded a real bomb in the senate tariff lobby investigation when he made the specific charge that President Wilson's use of patronage as a club to force Democratic senators to accept without question the Underwood bill just as it passed the house is itself lobbying of an insidious character.

Senator Townsend's charge came as a surprise to the committeemen. The investigation had proceeded in a humdrum manner until he came to define a "lobby."

"I understand by the word lobby, or rather lobbyist—because the lobby is composed of lobbyists—that the lobbyist is a person whose business is to promote or prevent legislation upon some particular subject. That influence may be proper or improper, according to the methods he employs."

Senator Walsh interrupted to seek an explanation of just what Senator Townsend was driving at.

"I repeat," said Senator Townsend, "a lobbyist is a person whose business it is to secure or prevent some particular legislation, such as the offer or payment of money or other thing of value, extending favor or entertainment to legislators who are about to act upon legislation; by insidious threats of political opposition, by holding out prospect of political reward or by withholding patronage."

### Never Saw Improper Methods.

"I have known many lobbyists who have been interested in legislation by proper means. I have not known of anybody who, by the use of money or the proposed use of money, by the offer of reward or by entertainments, has sought to secure some particular legislation."

"The nearest approach to undue influence which would come within my definition, in my judgment, has been the influence exerted by the president and by the use and power of the party secret caucus."

"I am convinced that some senators will vote in favor of the tariff bill and against proposed amendments because of the fear of antagonizing what is known as the power of the administration."

"You believe coercion, or a species of lobby, can come from the executive department as well as from outside it?" asked Senator Nelson.

"I do, yes sir," said the Michigan senator. "I have no doubt about that in my mind and I have not so much fear from the corruption of senators as I have from the encroachment on the legislative by the executive branch; and I am not blaming this executive any more than I would anybody else. It seems to be rather popular nowadays."

The senate agreed to extend the time limit for the lobby investigation twenty days, or until June 28.

## SLAYS HIS THREE PURSUERS

Michigan Man Kills Indian and Posse Members.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., June 8.—Sheriff Bone, deputies and local police are scouring the country between Sault Ste. Marie and Soo Junction for a Russian Pole who is wanted for the killing of James Sutton and three other men at Brimley.

The Pole became involved in a quarrel with an Indian in Brimley, stabbed and killed him and then fled toward a lumber camp near Wellsburg.

James Sutton, deputy sheriff, with two men from Brimley, went to arrest him, but the Pole, armed with a revolver, shot the three and made his escape.

## GETS PLACE FOR METCALF

Bryan Lands Job for Associate Editor of the Commoner.

Washington, June 4.—Secretary of State Bryan has landed a job for his partner, Richard L. Metcalf, associate editor on the Commoner. President Wilson agreed to appoint Metcalf as head of the civil government of the Panama canal zone, placing him in line for promotion to the governorship when the zone is placed under civil administration.

## TAFT GUEST OF PRESIDENT

Former Executive Lunches at White House With Successor.

Washington, June 8.—Former President William H. Taft made his first visit to the White House since he left on March 4 to become a private citizen and teach law at Yale university. Mr. Taft was the luncheon guest of the president and Mrs. Wilson.

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